

<1/25/19 Strike Update> Updates and Resources to Stop Tuesday's UTLA/Vladovic Charter Ban Resolution

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Dear LA Charter Leaders,

Thank you so much for the collective work you are doing to push back against L.A. Unified's misguided charter moratorium resolution. We are writing to provide you with important updates on the work, and new *improved* resources to mobilize your network and school community on this critical issue for our movement today, over the weekend, on Monday, and on Tuesday before our mass rally at L.A. Unified.

We will host an update at 5:00pm today to provide updates, information, and to answer your questions.

Vladovic Charter *Moratorium* Posted- Worse Than Expected

Last night the L.A. Unified Board Meeting agenda was posted here. Both the UTLA contract and Dr. Vladovic's anti-charter resolution, which came out of UTLA contract negotiations, are included. We learned that the original resolution UTLA advertised to their members on Tuesday as the outcome of bargaining is not the resolution that will go before the board. Instead, this resolution, which proposes a charter moratorium, and reports back from various legislative bodies on charter impact, will be voted on. This resolution is worse. At a minimum, it means "charter moratorium" will be an evergreen discussion at the board. And, if passed, the odds are high that a legislator in Sacramento would take UTLA's invitation, introduction legislation, and effectively we could end up with the first District-specific charter moratorium in the State. This resolution is not symbolic. It's a real threat. **We must continue to push as hard as we can to advocate against it over the next five days to give board members the support they need to vote no on this damaging policy proposal.**

Again, we are doing two things to defeat this resolution:

- Mobilize as many members of your school community as you can to rally in front of L.A. Unified at 10:30am next Tuesday. Our goal is to turn our 2,000 charter supporters from your collective schools in a broad demonstration of support for charters. Supporters will be able to leave by 1:30pm. Lunch will be provided. (flyer attached in English, forthcoming in Spanish)
- Continue creating a groundswell of support for charters and against this resolution with our board members leading up to Tuesday using the resources and plan below.

This is the biggest challenge our community has faced in years, and we are the most united we have ever been. Together we can defeat the resolution and reshape the conversation about charter schools in LA. To do this, we ask you to use the resources below with your school community today and over the weekend. Please note that the plan described below is a sample framework to start with. You know what works best for your community. We can help you customize resources, counsel on other strategies, and entirely support whatever mobilization makes the most sense for you.

Here's what you can do now- Tuesday:

- **Email this message to your school community (parents, staff, board members, friends, etc-- translated).** The message explains the threat that this resolution poses to their charter school and asks them to take action now by emailing board members. You can also repurpose these two links and share them broadly (English Call to Action) ([Spanish Call to Action](#)). When folks click the link, they will email all board members and the Superintendent directly.
- Personally call, text or email board members you have a close relationship with. Thank folks who have been supportive, and ask them to hold strong and vote NO on a political resolution. Let them know what you will be doing to mobilize and why this matters. Use these talking points. But also emphasize: this is bad policy, and bad governance: the way this resolution has come to light is not transparent, period. It puts politics before kids.
- **Email [Luis Figueroa](#) directly to let us know of any especially influential member of your community who can contact board members directly to ask them to vote no** - we will provide you with talking points for those direct conversations with the board, and we will ask you to report back on the status of those conversations so we can track progress.
- **Email [Luis Figueroa](#) directly with numbers for your school community that you plan to turn out for Tuesday's rally at LAUSD, and how many buses you plan to use.** For us to secure resources for Tuesday, we need to understand how many people we can turn out - please be prepared to tell us how many supporters you can coordinate, and if you would benefit from a bus reimbursement, should we be able to secure resources.

TUESDAY 1/29

- **Attend Rally at Beaudry from 10:30am-1:30pm with your school community.**
- **Encourage your community to continue post on social media.** (*sample posts forthcoming*)

If you have questions, need support or resources, please let us know.

Onward!

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2 attachments



LAUSD Charter Moratorium Rally Flyer - January 20191.pptx
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LAUSD Charter Moratorium Rally Flyer - January 20191.pdf
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JOIN US ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 29, 2019

11:00AM – 1:00PM

CCSA FAMILIES RALLY FOR PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS

WHY?

In a backroom deal with UTLA, L.A. Unified agreed to vote Tuesday on a **resolution to ban charter schools in Los Angeles!**

We need to fight against this with everything we have by:

- ✓ Contacting L.A. Unified Superintendent Austin Beutner by phone, email, and social media
- ✓ Contacting our Board Members by phone, email, and social media, and
- ✓ Showing up to the board meeting on Tuesday!

Let's tell the school board to put Kids over politics: Vote NO on the Charter Ban! Join us to represent over 118,000 charter public school students and families in Los Angeles to educate the Board of Education about why we love our schools!



WHAT?

- 10:30am** Gather at L.A. Unified Headquarters on Beaudry (between 3rd & 4th Street)
- 11:00am** Rally at the Convention Center Plaza
- 1:00pm** L.A. Unified Board Meeting begins
- 1:15pm** Conclude Rally

WHERE?

L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
333 S. Beaudry Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90017
(Between 3rd & 4th Street)

FAQs

- Kids are welcome!
- Water and transportation will be provided
- Wear comfortable shoes and clothing
- Make signs supporting your public charter school!

#KidsNotPolitics
#LetUsLearn
#NOCharterBan



ÚNASE A NOSOTROS EL MARTES 29 DE ENERO DE 2019
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

UN REUNION DE CCSAFAMILIAS PARA ESCUELAS PÚBLICA CHARTER

POR QUE?

En un acuerdo con UTLA, L.A. Unified acordó votar el martes sobre una resolución para prohibir las escuelas charter en Los Ángeles.

Tenemos que luchar contra esto con todo lo que tenemos:

Comuníquese con el Superintendente Unificado Austin A. Beutner por teléfono, correo electrónico y redes sociales. Comunicarse con los miembros de nuestra Junta por teléfono, correo electrónico y redes sociales, y presentese a la junta de el martes!

Vamos a decirle a la junta escolar que ponga a los niños por encima de la política: ¡Vote NO a la prohibición de las escuelas charter! ¡Únase a nosotros para representar a más de 118,000 estudiantes y familias de escuelas públicas charter en Los Ángeles para educar a la Junta de Educación sobre por qué amamos a nuestras escuelas!

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DONDE?

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(Entre las calles 3 y 4)

FAQs

- ¡Los niños son bienvenidos!
- Se proveerá agua y transporte. Use zapatos cómodos y ropa
- ¡Haz letreros de apoyo a tu escuela pública charter!

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